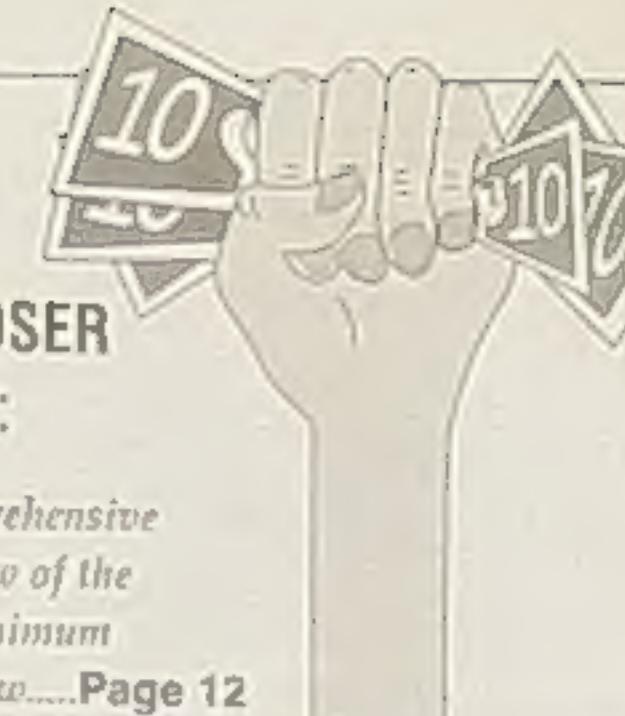


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MUSIC DEPARTMENT



Zachary Smith, a 2-year-old violin student, listens attentively to Dr. Kexi Liu, director of the Suzuki violin program at Missouri Southern, who has been giving the child lessons for four weeks. Liu said Smith is the youngest violin student he has ever taught in his career.

2-year-old learns ways of the violin

By MICHELLE CONTY
STAFF WRITER

A 2-year-old practicing the violin? Although children in Japan begin practicing as early as age 2 or 3, American students usually don't begin until 4 or 5.

Dr. Kexi Liu, director of the Suzuki violin program at Missouri Southern, is giving lessons to Zachary Smith in Joplin.

Zachary is the youngest student Liu has ever taught.

Despite Zachary's age, Liu and Zachary's mother, Jacque Smith, agree he is progressing well.

"He's learning fast and does fine with his lessons," Liu said.

Zachary has been practicing for four weeks. He is working on basic control of the bow, hand-eye coordination, and rhythm. Jacque said Zachary showed a great interest in the violin before lessons were even considered.

"He would be watching something on television, such as *Peter and the Wolf* or *Party of Five*, and when something to do with the violin would come on he would watch and imitate," Jacque said. "It is like a fascination."

Zachary has a 30-minute private practice with Liu once a week, and each week he meets with the beginners' class for a group lesson, also 30 minutes.

"We practice a few minutes at a time," Jacque said. "Zachary's attention span is short and we can't overdo things. We only practice if it's fun; there is no pressure, no force. It's like a game."

Zachary's mother is also interested in the violin. She has ordered a violin and expects to begin practice when it comes in. There are 4-month-old twins at the Smith home. Jacque said she will let them take lessons as well, when they are old enough.

Liu taught in China for 11 years (1973-84) before moving to the United States. He was in North Carolina for seven years prior to coming to Southern. He plays only the violin, and has done so for a majority of his life. □

STUDENT LIFE

SLC provides social hangout

By E. NICHOLAS PARKER
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

If you build it, they will come. That is the hope of College officials as the Student Life Center approaches completion.

"The evenings, especially on the weekends, have been the busiest," said Deb Gipson, coordinator of student housing. "In fact, we had to turn people off last Saturday."

She said there are at least a few students in the SLC during most hours of the day.

"The air-conditioning is nice," said Tom Stevens, freshman biology major. "It's a nice place with some really nice things in it. There aren't as many people in here during the day, and I can see how it would be a good environment to do your work in."

The new SLC currently boasts a television room with Surround Sound speakers, pool table, ping pong table, computer lab, aerobics room, and a lounge area. There are also snack machines and a microwave.

"The computer lab should be up and running within the next couple of days," Gipson said. "We hope to be offering aerobics classes in a few weeks."

Gipson said the additional exercise equipment, laundry facilities,

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ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Block classes return after positive feedback

By STEPHANIE WARD
EDUCATION EDITOR

Back by popular demand, block classes. Selected freshmen took part in experimental block classes last year, and due to the positive feedback, the classes are back again.

Dr. Erik Bitterbaum, vice president for academic affairs, said the block classes were developed to try to encourage stu-



Bitterbaum

dents to re-enroll after the freshman year. He said the program is retaining students by placing them in a "learning community."

"Last year we had very good data to show us that from the fall to the spring, 94 percent of the freshmen who were in the block returned, which was significant," Bitterbaum said. "And their [grade-point averages] were higher, so we're very pleased."

Matt King, sophomore physical education major, said he liked block classes because he thought it was easier to study "because we knew each other."

This type of feedback is part of the reason mid-term grades will be distributed to the students in block classes. Bitterbaum said he thinks the grades will serve as an early check for the students. He said for the students who are doing well, it

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MILLS ANDERSON JUSTICE CENTER

Construction begins on additions

Building to feature
new shooting range,
gymnasium facility

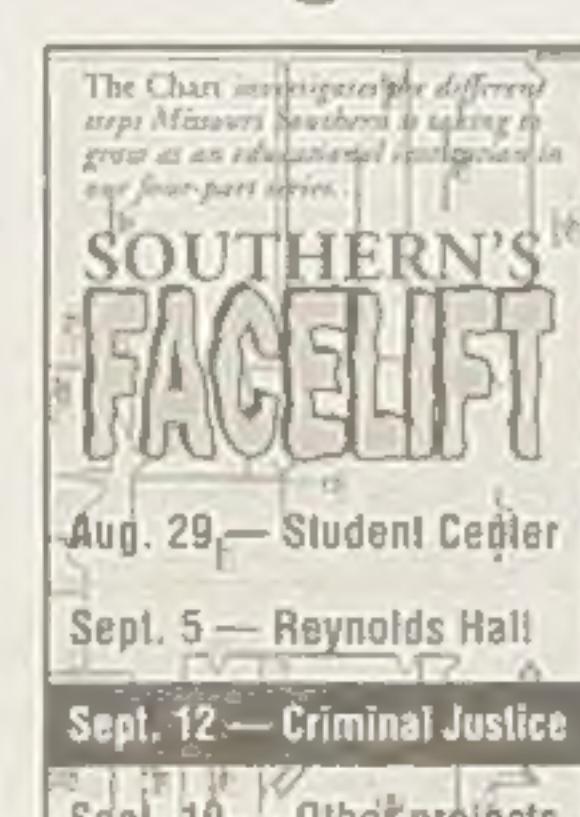
By J.L. GRIFFIN
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

It was about this time last semester when Missouri Southern's criminal justice department was awaiting the status of the much-needed funds for the additions to the Mills Anderson Justice Center.

When the state released its budget for the 1997 fiscal year, the department found itself in the enviable position of having three years worth of funding lumped into one. Instead of taking the three-tiered task three years to complete, the College could now bid out all of the additions at one time.

"It's always a lot easier, in terms of planning, if you don't have to phase [the project]," said Dr. John Tiede, senior vice president.

With a low bid of \$4,555,900, R.E.



Smith Construction received the go-ahead from the College to start work. Both Tiede and Dr. Jack Spurlin, dean of the school of technology, said they believed work would begin this week. The construction company has already erected trailers at the site. However, no formal ground-breaking ceremony has been planned.

Unlike the new Student Life Center, all the work on the additions to the Justice Center will be

done by outside contractors, according to Tiede. Not being involved with this project will finally allow the physical plant get back to the projects left sidelined by the work on the Student Life Center.

The state allotted Southern \$4.9 million to cover the cost of the renovations. The extra cash left over will go toward purchasing equipment and furniture, Spurlin said.

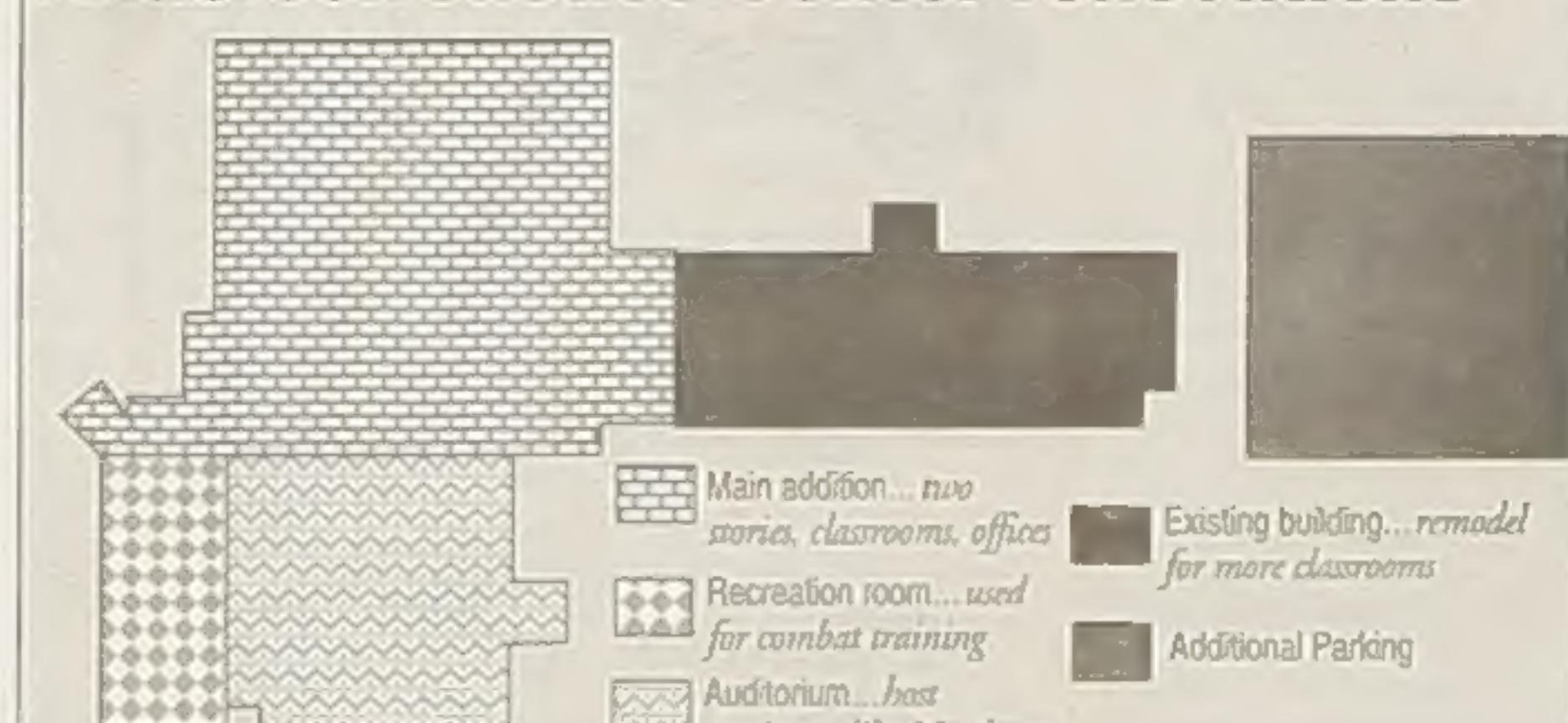
The criminal justice program at Southern is the heaviest populated at the College and the facilities at the Justice Center have long been inadequate for the numbers of students in the program.

Spurlin believes students will no longer have to trek to other campus buildings to take classes because the additions call for 17 new classrooms.

Also in the plans are a gymnasium facility for self-defense and hand-to-hand combat training and an auditorium for lectures and seminars.

Spurlin also said a modernized shooting range is the works for

Anderson Justice Center renovations



RYAN BRONSON/The Chart

campus right now. Some classes are being interrupted by the restructuring of classrooms into office facilities, but Spurlin said the additions at the Justice Center shouldn't disturb classes over there.

"They've told us we won't really be bothered until the very end when they have to connect the buildings," he said.

Six contractors bid on the pro-

ject, and most were area contractors, Tiede said, with the furthest bidders from Springfield and another from Arkansas.

R.E. Smith is on a 420-day completion table, Tiede said. If work does start this week, the project should end in November 1997.

Tiede said he believes the College would be ready to put the building to use in the spring of 1998. □

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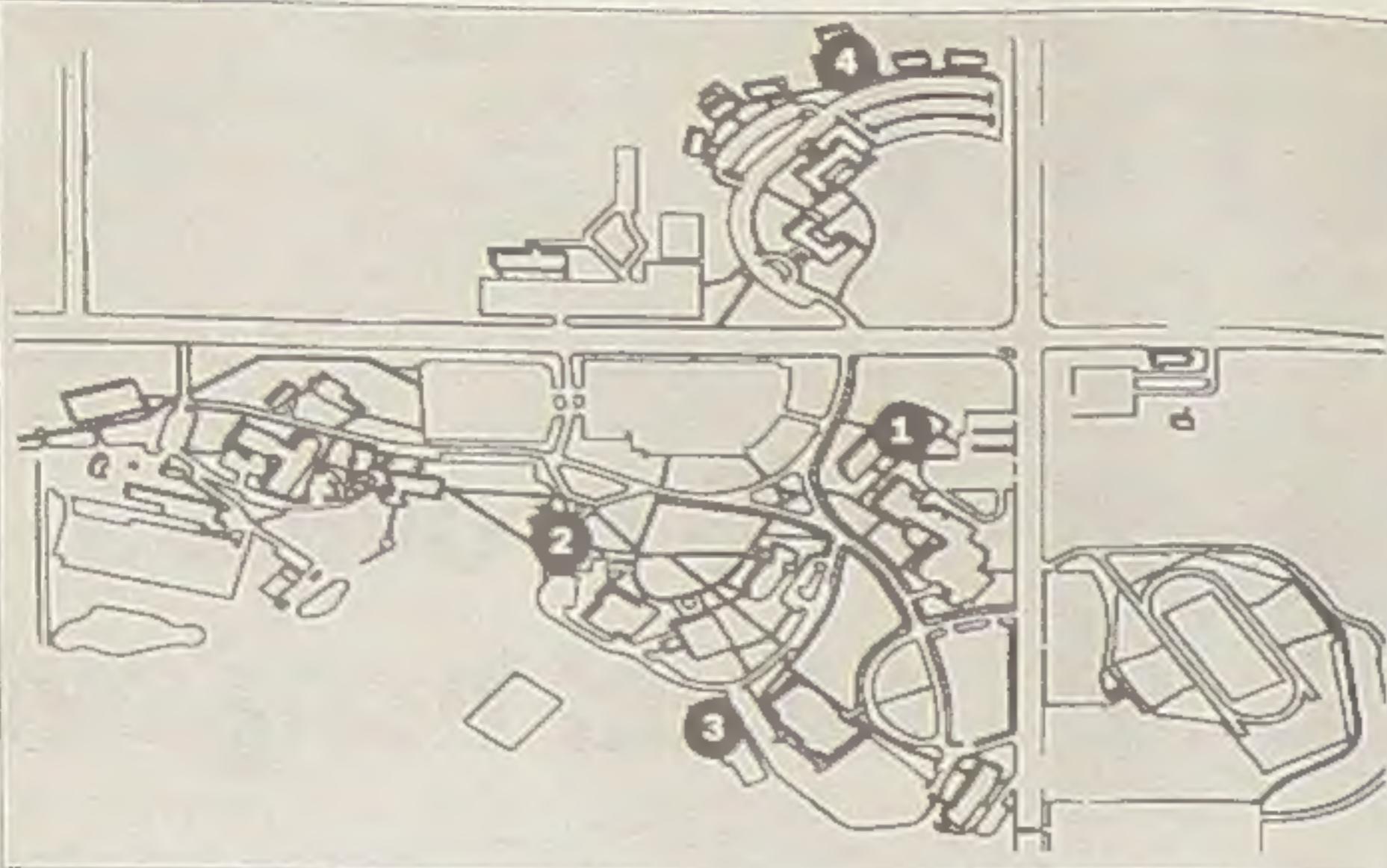
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ARTS ETC.
Local band Carbon Star, formerly the Puke Daisies, will perform at 9 p.m. Friday at the Downtown Perk in Carthage. Page 9



SPORTS

Missouri Southern's men's and women's cross country squads open the season at home in a non-scoring meet... Page 10

SECURITY REPORT

1 09/05/96 WEBSTER HALL 2:30 p.m. A male student experienced a vertigo attack as he was descending the steps at the rear entrance to Webster Hall. He lost his balance and fell over the hand railing. The student's mother arrived and requested that he be transported to a hospital because he had suffered a previous head injury from a car accident three years before.

2 09/09/96 BSC 12:30 p.m. Jessica Closser, freshman elementary education major, reported her blue, Cabin Country bookbag stolen from the rack outside the cafeteria.

3 09/10/96 GRAVEL LOT 8:40 a.m. Mary Ann Costley, senior communications major, reported damage to her 1993 Pontiac Grand Am in the gravel lot behind Young Gymnasium. Willie Poyner, a cafeteria worker, parked his Ford station wagon too close to Costley's driver side. Costley had to enter her vehicle from the passenger side, and later found damage to the driver's side of her vehicle. Poyner admitted he parked too close.

4 09/10/96 MAUPIN HALL 11:20 p.m. Campus security responded to Maupin Hall, where ambulance and fire department personnel were attending to a female student suffering from a diabetic-related shock. She refused to see a doctor.

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Class to guide students

Eight-week course to provide assistance in choosing majors

By DEBORAH SOLOMON
MANAGING EDITOR

Still looking for a major? An eight-week class will be available later this semester to help students make that all-important decision.

Although Career Life Planning has been offered for several years, it is now available for one hour of credit after the eight-week College Orientation class.

"We didn't have a lot of response to the class because it is an eight-week course," said Dr. Linda Caldwell, director of counseling. "It came to mind that we have College Orientation that students have to

take... why don't we start offering this for the second eight weeks, in the same time slots, for all of those freshmen?"

Although geared to fit freshmen schedules, the class is open for anyone interested.

During the class, students can expect to learn much about themselves.

"I have found out that people in general very seldom take time to do what they need to do for themselves," Caldwell said. "When somebody tells them they have to go do something, they will do it. This is going to be 16 hours of intensive class assignments that are really forcing the students to learn about themselves."

Caldwell has shaped the course using her philosophy that the personal aspect of career decision making is crucial.

"I stress the personal aspect of

CLASSES: Instructors to give midterm grades

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grades for each class. The grades should be out around the last week of September. Bitterbaum said the program will serve as an early warning system to students.

"I think mid-term grades can be useful," said Dr. Stephen Spector, head of the English department. "I think it's mostly useful where students don't have much feedback."

Students in block courses will receive a copy of their mid-term

years ago. This is an attempt to reintroduce it, by pioneering it to the block classes.

Bitterbaum said if the mid-term grades work out, the College will try them on the whole freshman class. From there, it may possibly go even higher.

"We're trying to do things that we think will help students succeed," he said.

"We want to be sure we can send them as best as we can." □

CENTER: Facility open to all students, faculty

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and aerobic equipment will help draw even more students to the facility. Other additions will include a Pepsi machine, a copy machine, and another pool table.

"The laundry area will probably be up in a couple of weeks."

Gipson said, "We're just waiting on the equipment."

Gipson stressed the SLC was open for all students, not just those in the residence halls. According to Gipson, this project is a big step for the College.

"This center can emphasize the social part of the college life," she said.

said. "We have always done a good job educating the students academically; this will help us educate them socially as well."

"I hope I never hear again from a student, 'There's nothing to do in this town.' I think this is one of the best things we, as a school, have ever done." □

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SECOND FRONT

New physician hours mean more help

By J.L. GRIFFIN
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

Students who are feeling a little more under the weather than usual have extra time in the week to see a physician on campus.

Previous campus physicians were available only for just over two hours a week, but now due to a recent agreement between the College and Freeman Hospitals and Health System, Dr. Henry Steine will be available for at least an hour a day Monday through Friday. Steine is on campus Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 7:45 a.m. until 8:45 a.m., and from 12:15 p.m. to 1:15 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday.

Both Steine and College nurse Julia Foster have said the campus clinic has remained busy the first weeks of classes.

Foster said the clinic tries to put the word out at the beginning of each year. She speaks to the College Orientation groups to familiarize them with the service also.

The new alliance between the College and the hospital may lead to some new programs and initiatives, Foster said, but nothing is planned so far.

"This semester with the new physician, we're just going to be organized," Foster said. "I see the need down the line for something."

So far this year, Foster said she has seen numerous allergy cases.

"I understand the ragweed and pollen counts are up," she said.

Steine said he has seen several students so far with a variety of ailments. Allergies are on top with activity-related injuries.

Steine said he has treated a variety of problems, with the flu, diarrhea, and rashes being common.

Steine said he is an orthopedic doctor specializing in sports medicine.

"I function at the student health clinic like I do in my office," he said.

The main difference between having a nurse, rather than a doctor, in the office is the prescription element of the job. Foster said as a nurse she can't hand out prescriptions, but Steine can.

An agreement with Smitty's Pharmacy lowers the price of drugs for students, Foster said.

Steine said what many students need to remember is to make an appointment before coming to the clinic in Room 306 of Kuhn Hall. □



TERESA BLAND/The Chart

Starting new rounds at Missouri Southern's clinic, Dr. Henry Steine, (left) an orthopedist, has seen a variety of ailments so far in his stint at the College.

CAMPUS CLUB

New coalition to fight abuse

By STEPHANIE GOAD
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Tuesday marked the official beginning of a new causation club on campus. Five officers met to sign the constitution for the Missouri Southern Student Coalition Against Child Abuse (MSSCAC).

Katherine Ray, junior sociology and criminal justice major and president of the organization, along with Dr. Richard Miller, head of the social science department, started organizing the club over the summer.

"We are a causation club, and our primary goal is education in child abuse," Ray said. "Most child abuse happens because of the lack of education."

Ray stressed the fact that MSSCAC is not a counseling club, but is rather for the prevention and intervention of child abuse through the "education of others."

She said despite the fact she is a mother herself, she was prompted to start the club by the lack of community organizations dealing in such matters.

"I was interested in finding an organization to do volunteer work, but I couldn't find one so I talked to Dr. Miller about the idea of starting up one on campus."

Miller offers a course on child abuse, from which the club also stemmed.

"I think the course should be part of the core curriculum," Ray said. "It can benefit any major, most go on to have children later."

Miller said he completely supports the new club and commends the students for their efforts.

"I am very pleased," he said. "The students are so busy and yet are undertaking an organization such as this one with such a large time-involvement factor."

Ray said one of the club's primary goals is to go to the State Capitol next spring when the legislature is in session.

"We plan to lobby the legislators and get appointments with state representatives," she said.

Ray said she plans to implement a fund-raiser to buy teddy bears for abused children and children facing placement in foster homes.

"It will give them something to hold on to," she said.

MSSCAC is currently conducting a random survey on campus, polling the number of students who have been victims of abuse, how many have sought professional help, and how many of the cases have been substantiated.

The new advocacy group has received numerous amounts of support from area businesses and organizations within the community.

"Office 1 Superstore donated printing to us," Miller said.

The club has also established a good relationship with Survivors And Friends Empowered (SAFE), a local advocacy group for abuse victims.

"We share information," Ray said. "We will be going to SAFE to view a film on prevention [of child abuse] and the lures [sex offenders use on children]."

Ray said as far as she knows, Southern is the first college to foster such a concept, but she hopes the project she initiated will pervade in other colleges throughout the nation in the future.

Meanwhile, club officers are using various measures to spread the word on campus in hopes of involving faculty and students of all majors. They have posters dotted throughout the campus, and fliers have been handed out to promote the 24-member organization.

"They don't have to volunteer for anything," Ray said. "Even if they just come to learn, education can be a big step in preventing child abuse."

She said witnesses of child abuse can help curb it by calling 1-800-4 A CHILD, the national child abuse hotline.

"If they call the police, they will probably tell them to call the hotline anyway," Ray said. "It is also very important that they leave their name, because otherwise it may not be substantiated."

The group meets at 2 p.m. the first Thursday of every month on the second floor of Webster Hall.

"We will also be providing an alternate meeting time for those who can't make the regular meeting," Ray said. □

By STEPHANIE GOAD
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

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Instructors will include Bradshaw, Jim Krudwig, and Lisa Robinson. For more information call (417) 625-9313. □

SOUTHERN NEWS BRIEFS

Women's forum focuses on issues facing owners

Women business owners will have the opportunity to attend a forum specially designed to allow discussion of the issues facing them.

The forum will be free to attendees. It will be held from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 26, in Matthews Hall in Room 102.

This program is put on by the Management Development Institute at Missouri Southern and the Small Business Administration of Advocacy.

During the forum, any information obtained through the program will be used in a compiled report that will serve as a reference and referral for SBA's study when forming opinions of issues on a national level.

The finished report will go to President Bill Clinton and members of Congress. □

Safety group warns of extension cord dangers

A national safety organization is warning everyone of the possible problems that could result from electrical extension cord overloading.

The National Electrical Safety Foundation is warning that with the growing use of computers, electronic entertainment equipment, hairdryers, and refrigerators, an office or dorm room has the potential for a major fire hazard if the electrical outlets are overloaded.

NESF reports that more than 160,000 electrical fires a year claim 800 human lives, cause 7,660 injuries and cost \$1.8 billion in personal property loss.

The foundation also reports one is electrocuted in the home every 16 hours.

NESF says using extension cords for permanent wiring is dangerous and potentially life threatening.

The group gives these tips for electrical safety:

■ Use extension cords only on a temporary basis.

■ Don't run electric cords under rugs or carpets.

■ Don't overload outlets.

■ Purchase approved surge suppressors for your computer and entertainment systems.

■ Never force a plug into an outlet if it doesn't fit.

■ Don't use appliances that have frayed, cut, or damaged cords.

■ Don't place electrical appliances near water.

■ Read and follow manufacturer's use and care instructions for all electrical products. □

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Area students beaming into classrooms

Satellite allows long-distance learning

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"We may also be able to work out team-teaching

66 projects," he said.

Dr. Erik Bitterbaum, vice president for academic affairs, called the grant, co-written by his assistant, Nadine Schmidt, and the four superintendents of the SECA schools, is "one of the more profound grants received in terms of what it will do for us and the surrounding communities." □

By STEPHANIE GOAD
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Tiny sprinter helps develop driving skill



Caleb Dye, 7, of Carl Junction, is here seen driving the miniature sprint car his father, Rick Dye. Rick Dye made the car for Caleb from scratch.

By DEBORAH SOLOMON
MANAGING EDITOR

For most 7 year olds, rock collecting and fishing are popular pastimes, but Caleb Dye's hobby is a fascination with speed.

Caleb is a Carl Junction first grader who began his quest for speed at the age of 4.

"He taught himself how to ride his bicycle without training wheels," said his mother, Tracy. "We told him he couldn't ride the 'motorcycle' until he could ride the bike without training wheels."

The "motorcycle" was Tracy's, which she began riding when she was 4.

After mastering the motorcycle, Caleb had advanced to a four-wheeler by the age of 5. This summer he learned to drive a wave runner, as well as spending plenty of time behind the wheel of his mini-sprint car.

The appeal for Caleb is the speed. "Going fast is fun," he said.

His father, Rick, built Caleb a mini-sprint car last year because Caleb wanted a go-cart and Rick was not satisfied with the safety features in go-carts.

"Caleb and I both wanted a go-cart," Tracy said. "His dad didn't

think it was safe enough, so he built him a car from the ground up; it has lawn mower tires, a three-wheeler motor, and he poured the body and frame."

Caleb has driven his car in a parade in Weir, Kan., and at the 66 Speedway. He practices on his circle dirt track in an empty field near his house.

"He scares me a little when he is driving around the field. I think he drives a little crazy," Tracy said. "He always has his helmet on, and with the roll cage, I know that if he flips he will be safe."

He has never had any broken bones, stitches, or had to go to the doctor for anything related to the car, four-wheeler, or motorcycle.

"I think he has remarkable motor skills and coordination for a child his age," Tracy said.

Caleb can begin competitive racing in a starters class when he is 9 and progress from there.

The cars he would be driving would be similar to his sprint-car, only slightly bigger.

At the age of 14 Caleb can drive at the 66 Speedway.

Rick said by then Caleb will have more seat time than several of the drivers he would be driving

"The more seat time he gets means better skills, and being a better driver."

Rick Dye

against, and with seat times comes skills.

"He already knows corrective driving," Rick said.

"The more seat time he gets means better skills and being a better driver."

"I had a man tell me that if Caleb wants to drive when he is 14, the man will build him a car to drive," Rick added.

Although Rick put considerable time into the car, neither he nor Tracy push Caleb to spend time in it.

"Sure I put a lot of time in it, but why force him to do something he doesn't want to?" Rick asked. □

Nuts & Bolts

Two-lane roads...yes!

If I didn't have an hour's drive between school and work, I might go insane. Without the daily commute from Nevada to Joplin, I wouldn't have any time to think.

Fortunately, I have one of the best cars ever for driving enjoyment. I just unzip the window and put down the top, and presto! I don't have to wait until I get home to do something fun.

I'm really enjoying this late summer weather and being back in Missouri, also. I drive Route 43 because the speed limit has gone up to 65 mph. It's really shorter than 71 Highway, and although I'd like a 70 mph limit on 43, too, I can compromise.

After the eight-lane freeway traffic and overpopulation of Southern California, you can bet I'm enjoying the peaceful two-lane that's mostly bordered by green trees and lush crops.

I might miss California's weather once winter comes knocking on the door, but right now there's no place I'd rather be.

I did get one step closer to being prepared for winter, though.

Over Labor Day, I grabbed my friend Mark and we put my new Robbins convertible top on the Miata.

As we loosened the back of the old top from the car, in effect passing the point of no return, I said to Mark's father, "This is how to destroy a Miata in 15 easy steps."

To be honest, I was a little nervous about taking the old top off. When I ordered the new top, the salesman told me, "Now be sure to have a professional install this. It's rather complicated."

But armed with a shop manual and confidence on Mark's part, we lifted off the old top and carried it in to the blessed cool of his air-conditioned garage, leaving my Miata truly topless.

Following the Mazda shop manual's suggestions, we had the old top and the top structure separated in just an hour.

After a lengthy break for lunch, we brought out the new top and had the whole thing back together in three hours.

It's so nice to be able to see out the back window!

Previously, the only way I could see out the back was if the top was down or through the huge hole in the window.

The top material is heavier than before, and the zipper that lets the rear window down looks about twice as stout as the original zipper.

I've had to abandon my former careless way of throwing back the top, though.

To keep the window clear, I've got to take care of it. So if you see me putting a towel over the rear window before I lower the rest of the top, you'll know the reason.

Now I only have to replace most of the body panels, fix the cruise control and the intermittent stalling problem, and I'll have a perfect Miata!

Yeah, right. □



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AUTOMOTIVE JOURNAL

Rebuilders create spicy alternative to new vehicles

By LESLIE ROBERTS
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

As I drive up to Mid-America Auto & Rebuilders, I notice a newer red Nissan 300ZX with dealer tags. As I get out of my car, a Lexus LS400, also with dealer tags, pulls up. Inside on jack stands sits a nice black Mitsubishi 3000GT VR4 twin turbo, waiting for its wheels, which are out being polished.

In a nutshell, that's what attracts many people to rebuilders: They can afford a much nicer car if that car is wrecked.

"Most of the people who buy cars from me are buying them because they want a car that's more expensive than they can afford," said Jim Fanning, owner of Forty Three Auto. "This way, they get into the car at about half the cost of buying it new."

But rebuilt wrecks have a bad reputation.

According to Craig Keeter, owner of Mid-America near Duenweg, the guys who look at a car think "I can fix that," and then go out and attempt to straighten the frame using a solid tree and a come-along are mainly responsible for that bad reputation.

"They'll never get it right that way," said Keeter, who sells cars mainly for customers to rebuild. "I try to convince my customers to do it right. I give them the names of reputable people to do their frame work. It doesn't cost that much to do it right."

Keeter also believes that the people who do shoddy workmanship are allowed to get by because of loose regulations concerning retelling rebuilt wrecks.

"All the state does when they inspect a car is look at the VIN numbers," he said. "They should start inspecting the quality of the work, also."

"That would not be a bad idea," Fanning said. "However, when you do something like that, you have to have a place to inspect the vehicles and someone who's qualified to do it."

Chuck Comer, owner of Comer's Truck and Auto, believes

that if the state did inspect rebuilt cars, the issue of bias would be raised and that it would be difficult to know where to set the workmanship standard.

"Say I put in a window and smear silicone all over the edges, but when they look at the window you put in, it's all nice and clean," he said.

"Both windows might be put in so they'll stay and they won't leak, but the state might pass one because it looks nicer."

Even though mechanical standards for the quality of the work have not been set, it is still possible to get a good quality rebuilt vehicle. Keeter believes one doesn't necessarily have to know the person who rebuilt it to get a good quality car.

"You just have to know what to look for," he said. "You know, anybody can shim a hole; that's not too hard to spot."

Comer agrees.

"It's really a buyer beware situation," he said.

Of the four men interviewed for this story, only Fanning ventured a guess as to why Joplin has so many rebuilders for sale.

"It's probably because Joplin is located in the hub of four states — Missouri, Kansas, Arkansas, and Oklahoma," he said. "Joplin is the rebuild capital."

"Even in Springfield, people are much less educated with respect to wrecks. They think if it's been hit once, that's the end. Here, we give the cars a second life."

The people who give those cars a second chance depend heavily on their reputations, and they have to employ savvy marketing in order to stay in business.

Roger Gronewold of Gronewold Auto sells mainly cars he has rebuilt. Because the vehicles he sells have been wrecked, he tries to sell them for under loan value.

He presented a picture of a Saturn sedan that he had rebuilt. All that was showing in the fuzzy Polaroid were the engine and one disc brake.

"That hardly looks like a car!" he said of the picture, pointing outside to the sleek green sedan. "But there it is."

Word of mouth sells Gronewold's vehicles, some before

they're even been fully completed.

"We've even had buyers from out of state," said Aileen, Gronewold's wife.

"Yeah," Roger says. "You know, friends, relatives, that sort of thing."

Gronewold guarantees anything related to the wreck on the cars he sells. His shop is not as fancy as some of the other body shops in town, but it contains all the necessary equipment, and he says he saves the customer money because of it.

"Those guys with the fancy building — that's all overhead, and the customer pays for the image," he said. "I can usually save them \$500 to \$1,000 because of my low overhead."

Low overhead is one of Comer's advantages, also. The ground he rents on West Seventh Street is little more than a mostly-gravel lot with a small office.

"I would like to have a nice building; that's part of good marketing," he said, adding that he was reluctant to build on rented land.

"But not having a fancy building enables me to get by with less of a profit margin," he continued. "And I want people who buy from me to be able to make money, because then they'll give me repeat business."

Gronewold, on the other hand, believes many rebuilders companies aren't that customer-oriented.

"Most of these guys want to make \$1,500 profit off a vehicle or they don't even want to do it," he said.

"I try to price my cars so that the customer will be able to get into a vehicle for loan value, or less than loan value," Fanning said.

The alternative is to get a salvage license and attend auctions in person.

The Tulsa auction that Gronewold usually attends consists of sealed bids only. As a result, Gronewold bought four vehicles last week. Other weeks he doesn't buy any.

"It's kind of risky, because you never know how many cars you're going to bring home," he said.

"But you have to be competitive, because if you don't buy anything, you're not going to have anything to sell." □



Jet powered rail dragsters were just one event at the Mo-Kan Speedway during the Labor Day weekend races.

wheel-driven," he said. "They're just the second fastest in the world. The best we've ever run in this car is 306 miles an hour."

Spectators watch and hold their ears as the jet dragsters literally take off for their quarter-mile run.

"It's the closest thing to being launched off an aircraft carrier," he said. "When it takes off, it's about

three and a half Gs, and when you pull the chute, it's about six Gs negative the other way. It slows down about 100 miles an hour instantly. It's a pretty good jerk on you."

On the other end, 10-year-old Greg Cantrell, of Galena, Kan., set a personal best speed of 47 miles per hour in his \$500 dragster.

"I feel the need for speed," he said. □

MOTORSPORT

Mo-Kan Dragway hosts smokin' races

By TERESA BLAND
STAFF WRITER

The smell of methanol mixed with fumes from nitrous oxide, filled the air at "Smokin'" Mo-Kan Dragway over Labor Day weekend.

The well-known quarter-mile dragstrip at Asbury has been a long-time favorite place for local speed demons to push their souped-up toys beyond the limit. The toys ranged from grocery-getters to jet-powered bullets with a few fuel-altered cars, motorcycles, and rails thrown in.

The two main popular attractions

last FOUR out of FIVE positive tests had been false. That means 80 percent of the tests they did were WRONG. It really made me wonder how many of the negative tests were wrong.

Plasma is a valuable blood product that can be used for many things, and it scares the bejeebers out of me to think that, because someone is trying to turn a buck, the testing would be this inaccurate. It is your decision to sell plasma, but I strongly urge you to think twice before you go. There were only two ways I could have gotten HIV; one was the Red Cross (I used to give on a regular basis), and the other was the plasma bank.

Now both of those places appear to be extremely safe, but when I hear someone say they are going to sell their plasma, I have to question their decision. □

SOLOMON: HIV scare still haunts editor after two years since last visit to local plasma center

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tests done cheap and fast rather than accurately. How is it right that they have such a huge margin for error? The doctor told me the

CITY NEWS

Construction continues on 7th St. viaduct

BY TAMMY SPICER
STAFF WRITER

Joplin residents and commuters are all too familiar with the construction of the 7th Street viaduct, an on-going project since the spring.

"We hope to have it (the bridge) completed around the first of the year," said Harold McCoy, director of public works. "But it will depend on how early winter sets in."

The estimated completion date is a little off from original assessments due to a late start and some early delays, McCoy said.

While the road is blocked to through traffic, the city has made every effort to ease the burden on businesses located in the construction zone, such as large signs naming the stores.

"We've had excellent cooperation from most businesses," McCoy said.

"When you lose 25,000 cars a day in front of your business, of course business is affected," said Mike Shade, owner of the Botany Shop Garden Center, whose business borders both sides of the construction project. "But I cannot and would not complain about that because the bridge work needs to be done."

The old bridge, 50 years old and deteriorating.

NEWTON COUNTY

High school students learn reality of becoming parents

Computerized dolls cry randomly every two to four hours

BY TAMMY SPICER
STAFF WRITER

A loud crying noise will soon be echoing down the halls of Newton County schools.

The wailing will not be coming from the students, but from lifelike, computerized dolls designed to help students realize the demands of parenthood. The dolls, called "Baby, Think It Over," weigh between 7 and

8 pounds and are 20 inches long. They are being provided to the schools by the Newton County Health Department and Children's Miracle Network.

"We want the children to learn the responsibility of caring for an infant," said Patti Yates, from the Newton County Health Department.

"Baby, Think It Over" has an internal computer that causes the doll to cry randomly, approximately every two to four hours.

The student assigned to the doll will be required to wear a non-transferable key that will be used to simulate feeding the infant.

In order to quiet the crying baby,

the student-parent must insert the key and hold the infant for up to 35 minutes, Yates said.

If no one responds when the doll cries, the computer will tell," explained Sandie Morgan, director of the Children's Miracle Network.

"It will add reality to the situation for the students," Morgan said.

There are at least three activities that make "Baby, Think It Over" an effective educational tool. The first is sleep deprivation due to the random crying that continues 24 hours a day.

Second is carrying all the items needed for the daily care of an infant to and from school and activities.

The third is the spontaneous involvement of the student-parent's siblings, friends, and parents.

The 17 dolls that have been purchased will make their rounds in Newton County between the middle and high schools of East Newton, Diamond, Neosho, and Seneca.

Yates hopes that each school will be able to utilize the dolls during this school year, beginning in mid-October.

Yates said the choice on where to use the doll is up to the schools. Since charities are often times able to respond only to emergencies, Children's Miracle Network is excited to be able to provide some pre-

ventative services to the community, according to Morgan.

"Children having children is a problem that often leads to sick or abused infants, due to lack of understanding," Morgan said.

"Anything we can do to prolong when kids have kids will help."

In order to add more realism to the project, diaper bags loaded down with all the necessities and car seats were also purchased for the program.

The entire cost for "Baby, Think It Over" will be approximately \$5,500, Morgan said.

"This is not a preachy kind of program. It's a reality thing."

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

ADA mandate enforces public accommodation

Joplin businesses have made efforts to improve access

BY KIM GIBSON
STAFF WRITER

The Americans with Disabilities Act, signed by President Bush on July 26, 1990, is ensuring that businesses in Joplin are accessible to the disabled.

Linda Green, director of the Independent Learning Center, said laws of the act are set "so people with disabilities can do what they need to do without having to rely on other people."

Title III under the ADA ensures accessibility for the physically impaired in places of public accommodation. A "place of public accommodation" is defined by the ADA as any business that invites the public.

Guidelines for these businesses mainly have to do with overcoming anything that prevents a disabled person from usage of a facility.

The ADA does not always require expensive overhaul of businesses in order to comply with its laws. Most often, acts like lowering public phones, putting in ramps, and adding raised-letter or braille markings on elevators are mandatory only when these acts prove easily accomplished and not too costly.

According to Green, "the best thing and the worst thing about the ADA is the flexibility."

It allows small business owners to avoid paying huge expenses for renovations. Instead, they may simply offer assistance to someone who can't reach an item down a narrow aisle in a store or keep a pencil and paper handy in case they need to communicate with a deaf person.

For many shops in Joplin, such as some located in the Northpark Mall, the main aisles are the required 36 inches wide, but some of the side aisles are much smaller.

In accordance with the ADA, the stores said that they offered assistance to anyone who could not reach an item or get down an aisle.

Another aspect of the law is to ensure accessible parking.

Handicapped spaces should be clearly marked with the international handicapped symbol and have room beside the parking space to assemble a wheelchair.

The act is also addresses the availability of ramps where there are steps or curbs that a wheelchair could not ascend. Most of the major areas of business in Joplin, such as Smitty's, Food 4 Less, and mini malls, had ramps.

One area business had a ramp, but the incline was too steep, according to the ADA.

The requirement is that there is one foot of ramp per inch of curb. That area business is looking into how it can become more accessible.

Accessibility does not only pertain to wheelchair-bound individuals. For example, a blind person must be able to use an elevator.

Therefore, there should be raised-letter or braille markings on signs for public restrooms, exits, and elevators.

Once again, many of the major businesses in the area met these requirements. Southwest Missouri Bank on 32nd Street even had braille letters on the ATM machine buttons.

Consequences are enforced through the ADA. Refusal to comply with these laws now results in stiff penalties. For large businesses, a first offense may result in a \$50,000 fine. That price can go up to \$150,000 for second and subsequent offenses.

Individuals can complain to the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission if they feel they have been discriminated against. Another option would be to bring a lawsuit against the offender.

With the ADA laws enforced, a discrimination case is more likely to succeed.

REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Hospital offers classes to help deal with loss

St. John's Regional Medical Center's Hospice will offer a five-week session of bereavement classes starting Wednesday, Oct. 2. Classes will be held for five consecutive Wednesdays from 6 to 8 p.m. at St. John's Mercy Conference Center.

The bereavement program is targeted for those individuals who have lost a loved one or death this past year. Topics covered during the course include Loss and Grief, Spiritual Aspects of Grief, Remembering, Intimacy, and New Beginnings. These classes will offer a variety of educational materials and also serve as a type of support group setting in which to ask questions and to facilitate group discussion of grief issues. There is no charge for the program.

St. John's Hospice cares for people with life-limiting illnesses by providing physical, spiritual, and emotional care for those individuals and their families in their homes or nursing home. Hospice annually serves around 700 terminally ill patients in the four-state area.

Hospice is a ministry of care for those patients with a limited life expectancy and their families. Hospice provides nursing care, social services, pastoral care, volunteer support, or other professional services that are needed or requested by the hospice patient and family in their home. The main goal of hospice is to improve the quality of life while providing the patient with support and establishing "control" back to the family. Hospice offices are located in Oswego and Parsons, Kan., and Joplin. For more information or to preregister, call 659-6559 or 1-800-638-7073.

Carthage plans annual Maple Leaf Festival

The 30th annual Maple Leaf Festival in Carthage will be held Oct. 13-20. "Carthage under the big top" is this year's theme and will be celebrated with the Zerbini Circus participating in the Maple Leaf parade, which will be held on Oct. 19. The Zerbini Circus will also be hosting circus performances.

T-shirts are already available for \$15 and sweatshirts can be purchased for \$25 at the Carthage Chamber of Commerce. Discounts are given for group orders of 10 or more items ordered at a time, and hats will be available soon for \$12.

The Chamber is open Monday-Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Aerobatic show becomes annual tradition in city

World-class aerobatic pilots will be landing at the Joplin Regional Airport Friday and Saturday.

The event, hosted by the Kansas City International Aerobatics Club, will be held in Joplin because of the success of last year's competition. Registrations have been received by 35 pilots, and Dr. Charles Seifert, a Joplin aerobatics pilot who will serve as tournament director, said he expects the event to attract more than the 100 who competed last year.

"The pilots last year really appreciated how friendly people were here, how interested they were in the sport, and how many turned out for the competition," he said. "Several said they'd like to go to the national competition here."

The competition will be held from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

Pilots will compete in basic, sportsman, advanced, or unlimited categories, flying specially built competition aircraft in loops, rolls, spins, and other maneuvers inside an imaginary competition "box."



TAMMY SPICER/The Chan

City workers expect to finish construction work on the Seventh Street viaduct by January. Negotiating terms of the rental of a portion of his land because some of the crane work will extend across the property line, according to Shade.

While inconvenience of the detour will remain for some time, motorists can rest assured that work continues with plans of completion early next year.

After moving in, the last thing you want to do is unpack another box.



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ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

Artist draws inspiration from nature

Hartman uses own flowers for designs of clothing patterns

By TERESA BLAND
STAFF WRITER

Miami's Designs of Autumn Festival will feature Missouri Southern alumna Roseanne Hartman's unique creation of marbled silk clothing.

After receiving her bachelor's degree in art education with honors from Southern in 1979,

Hartman, with her husband, John, moved to Tulsa where she began her career as an artist and a gardener.

Horticulture has become a family tradition; her mother, grandmother, and several aunts raised gardens.

"My love of flowers, plants, and nature in general were from those women," she said.

"I paint from my garden and I try to paint realistically. Most of my subject matter starts in nature, the flowers, and the leaves."

Six months out of the year, Hartman paints in watercolors; the others are dedicated to her

wide array of marbling skills.

Hartman had been doing marbling on paper when an artist friend suggested she use the technique on fabric.

"It's fun; it's a much freer medium than the paintings are and they are unique," Hartman said.

With the technique she uses, no pieces are identical.

The paints are poured into a pan containing a liquid medium.

Hartman manipulates the colors

into a design of her liking.

She then adds raw silk, allowing the fabric to soak up the paint.

After the fabric is removed, it is rolled up in newspaper to set the

colors and allowed to dry.

Hartman started making marbled scarfs and then began piecing them together to make a skirt.

"I knew about design from my painting background, so I just applied that in clothing design," she said.

Her fabric business has grown to where she now creates a full line of marbled silk clothing.

Many of her works incorporate both mediums.

"The marbling and the painting are really tied together," Hartman said.

A piece titled "Autumn Essence" was chosen to adorn

the official poster for the 1996 Designs of Autumn Festival in Miami, Okla. The festival will be held Sept. 21-22 at the Ottawa County Courthouse lawn and will feature Hartman and several other local artists.

Hartman attempts to express her views of life in each work she creates, whether it be a painting or marbled silk.

"I hope the things I paint will add to someone's life," she said.

"My philosophy is that I try to paint things that are positive. There is enough ugliness in this world, and I want to emphasize the goodness in nature and the world we live in." □

Film Festival

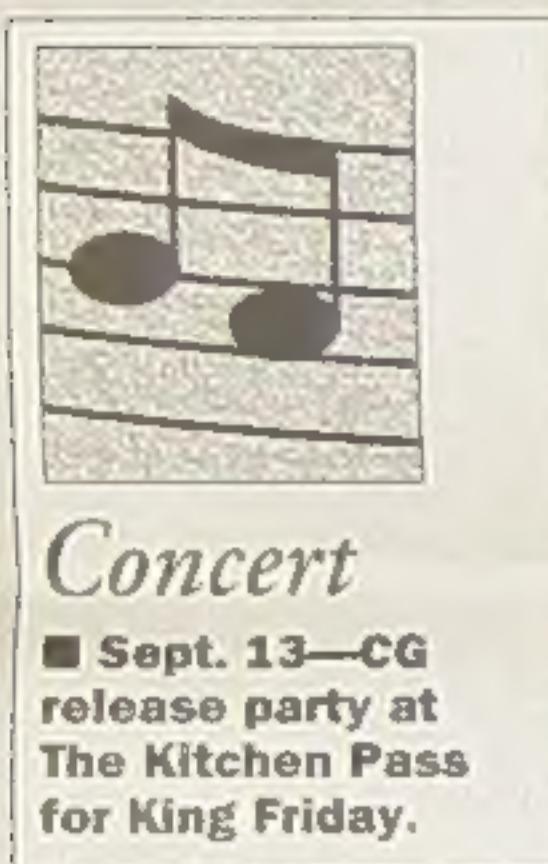
■ Sept. 17—Missouri Southern hosts International Film Festival at 7:30 p.m. in Matthews Hall Auditorium.

BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT



Taylor Performing Arts Center
Sept. 18-21—Waiting for the Parade

Joplin



Concert

■ Sept. 13—CG release party at The Kitchen Pass for King Friday.

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Sept. 22—Color Me Badd Champs
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Sept. 13-14—Rhythem Nation The Bypass 624-9095
Sept. 13-14—A Picture Made
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Sept. 29—Walking On Einstein
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Sept. 27—Walking On Einstein
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623-3638
Oct. 1-6—Hello, Dolly!

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Sept. 12-14—Same Time, Next Year
Sept. 20-22—Same Time, Next Year
Downtown Park
417-358-2988
Sept. 14—Carbon Star

Kansas City
Sandstone Amphitheatre
Sept. 13—Dave Matthews Band, Ben Harper

Sept. 14—Jethro Tull, Emerson, Lake, and Palmer

Sept. 15—Sawyer Brown, Toby Keith

Sept. 21—Cranberries, Cracker

Starlight Theatre
Sept. 19—George Clinton and the P-Funk All-Stars

Sept. 20—Wheel of Fortune

Sept. 28—Grover Washington Jr., Ramsey Lewis

Midland Theatre

Sept. 18—Peter, Paul, & Mary

Heartland Theatre

Oct. 6—Greater Tuna

St. Louis

Riverport Amphitheatre
Sept. 13—Jethro Tull, Emerson, Lake & Palmer

Sept. 14—Dave Matthews, Ben Harper

Sept. 15—U2

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Carbon Star

hopes to shoot to stardom

By KEVIN COLEMAN
ARTS ETC. EDITOR

When the band takes the stage at the Downtown Perk Saturday night, the audience may recognize the faces, but the former Puke Daisies will have a new sound to go with their new name, Carbon Star.

The three members of Carbon Star have been together for about a year. Jess Johnson, drummer; Nicole Kaszuda, bassist and background vocalist; and Desiree Petersen, guitarist and lead vocalist; enjoy working together so there are no personnel changes accompanying their new name.

"We've changed our style," said Johnson, a junior at Carl Junction High School. "The music has changed...and we thought we needed a more mature name."

"Our old songs were like a bubble-gum punk style," said Petersen, Missouri Southern freshman art major. "With our new songs, people are calling us alternative."

The band's new tape, *Envy*, features some of its new material with the more intricate changes the band has started to incorporate into its songs.

"We've got one song that's been taking us...forever to learn," Petersen said. "It had so many changes."

The band has already sold the "in lieu of a hundred" tapes it originally ordered, and has more sold in advance for its

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Jess Johnson
Drummer, Carbon Star

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next order, which Petersen said she is placing this week. *Envy* includes the cuts "Rocketship," "My Pickle," "Brainwash," "New Age Vampire," and "Hey, I Like You."

Though it has been playing only a short time, Carbon Star takes its music seriously. The Puke Daisies took third in a battle of the bands competition in Fayetteville, Ark., a few months ago. Last weekend the band played at Harper's Bizarre, a coffee shop in Springfield, despite Petersen losing her voice before the show.

"A lot of people don't take a band that has girls in it seriously," Petersen said. "We've had shows where they treated us like we didn't know what we were doing. We try to make sure we know what we're doing."

All the members of Carbon Star come from musical backgrounds. Johnson's father plays piano. Kaszuda's mother plays guitar and her father plays keyboards, and nearly everyone in Petersen's family plays something.

"My little sister plays violin," she said. "My mom plays fiddle...my other sister has a scholarship for piccolo at the University of Arkansas...my brother plays harmonica and my dad plays the radio."

Petersen also plays cello. Writing songs is a combined effort for the band.

"Everyone makes suggestions," Petersen said. "None of us tell the others that it's going to be 'This way and this way only.'"

"If Nicole says she thinks it would sound better doing it another way, or Jess or I have another idea, that's cool," she said. "If I like peas and you like corn, let's make succotash."

Carbon Star's show at the Downtown Perk begins at 8 p.m. Saturday. Admission is \$2. The Downtown Perk is located at 305 E. Fourth Street, east of the Carthage square. □



CARBON STAR Special to The Chari-

The members of Carbon Star, Desiree Petersen (left) Jess Johnson (center) and Nicole Kaszuda, will perform Friday night at the Downtown Perk cafe in Carthage.



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Cook sure knows how to rebuild

The athletic department should seriously consider giving Jim Cook extra duties over and above his soccer coaching — teaching Missouri Southern coaches how to rebuild.

Cook, a second-year coach, has recruited a plethora of talented freshmen who are already contributing to the program. And when you ask him about the upcoming years for the soccer Lions, he can't help

Ryan Bronson
Associate Editor

but wear a nice big smile.

Freshmen rarely play a major role in the success of a team, especially at an NCAA Division II institution.

In fact, if a coach is playing freshmen it's usually because he's trying to give those athletes experience.

The Lions, a team which boasts nearly four freshmen or sophomores for every one junior or senior, have such a talented group of underclassmen that the team shouldn't miss a beat from last season's 11-7 performance. And it's only going to get better from here.

Although the team may not immediately improve, Cook has at least given Lions' soccer a fighting chance to become a power in the conference.

Cook did his work in the off-season. Now, he probably won't have to vigorously recruit until the year 2000. By then, Missouri Southern may have a few conference championships under its belt — which, as any coach knows — make recruiting a heck of a lot easier.

For the Cowboy bashers: Too many people have expressed their opinion about how terrible the Dallas Cowboys are this year. As a Cowboy fan, I relish that type of criticism, which has reached national proportion.

The Cowboys have proven in the past that turmoil is a motivator.

After getting beat by Chicago in a game full of bad calls and missed opportunities, Dallas rebounded to destroy the worst team in football, the New York Giants.

The real test for the Cowboys, however, will come this weekend. If Dallas beats the Indianapolis Colts, look for the Cowboys to win 11 games this season, if not more.

Sure, teams such as Green Bay and San Francisco will vie for the NFC title, but I'm looking for the team with the experience of winning the big game when it counts to prevail.

Cardinals good, but World Champions? St. Louis has an arch and steamboats, but when October ends, it won't have a World Series title.

And you don't have to be a genius to figure out why.

Yes, I've jumped on the bandwagon to a certain extent and I'd love to see the Cards win it all, but with a mediocre pitching staff, I doubt the Redbirds will even make it out of the first round of the playoffs.

As much as I hate to say it, the Braves just look too good.

FOOTBALL

Lions to open at Tahlequah Saturday

By RICK ROGERS
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Even though Northeastern (Okla.) State University heads into its third game winless, Missouri Southern head football coach Jon Lantz believes the Redmen could post a formidable challenge in the Lions' season opener Saturday in Tahlequah.

The Redmen are currently in a transition year as they move from their present status to the NCAA Division II ranks, where NSU will compete next season. Because the team will be switching divisions, the Redmen will not be able to compete for the NAIA national title this season.

Last season, NSU finished runner-up for the NAIA national title, after capturing the national championship the previous year.

NSU fell to Angelo State 21-14 in its season opener Aug. 31, then dropped its second game of the season to Central Arkansas 35-21 Saturday.

Lantz compared the Redmen's quickness to the likes of Central Arkansas and MIAA rival Pittsburg State, and even though NSU sits 0-2 for the season, Lantz believes its record

THIS WEEK'S GAME
Missouri Southern
LIONS VS.
Northeastern State University
REDMEN
RECORDS: Missouri Southern 0-0
Northeastern State 0-2
WHEN: Saturday, Sept. 14, 2 p.m.
WHERE: Tahlequah, Okla. (see map)

could be deceiving. "They are very athletic," he said. "They are mainly a rushing team, but they have excellent wide receivers. I think they are one of the better 0-2 teams in the nation."

With Southern starting the season later

than ever, the Lions have been forced to spread their allotted 29 practice days over a five-week period without any game experience. Lantz said the 90-degree temperatures and the long practice period have begun to take their toll on his troops.

"I think we are a little stale," he said. "I have never taken a team into a game after almost five weeks of practice. We just need to play."

But Lantz said his team's lack of game experience should not be a factor Saturday.

"I think the biggest disadvantage for us is that they have actually played two games," he said.

Lantz said sophomore quarterback Brad Cornelius looks sharp and focused.

"He is really playing super," he said. "He is the cog this thing is built around."

Missing from the Lions will be their starting right defensive end, junior Adam McKellips, who will be out of remainder of the year with a knee injury, and sophomore wide receiver Carnell Matthews, who was released from the team due to disciplinary reasons.

Taking McKellips' spot at defensive end will be sophomore Shad Burns. Freshman quarterback Rodney McClure will replace Matthews at wide-out. □

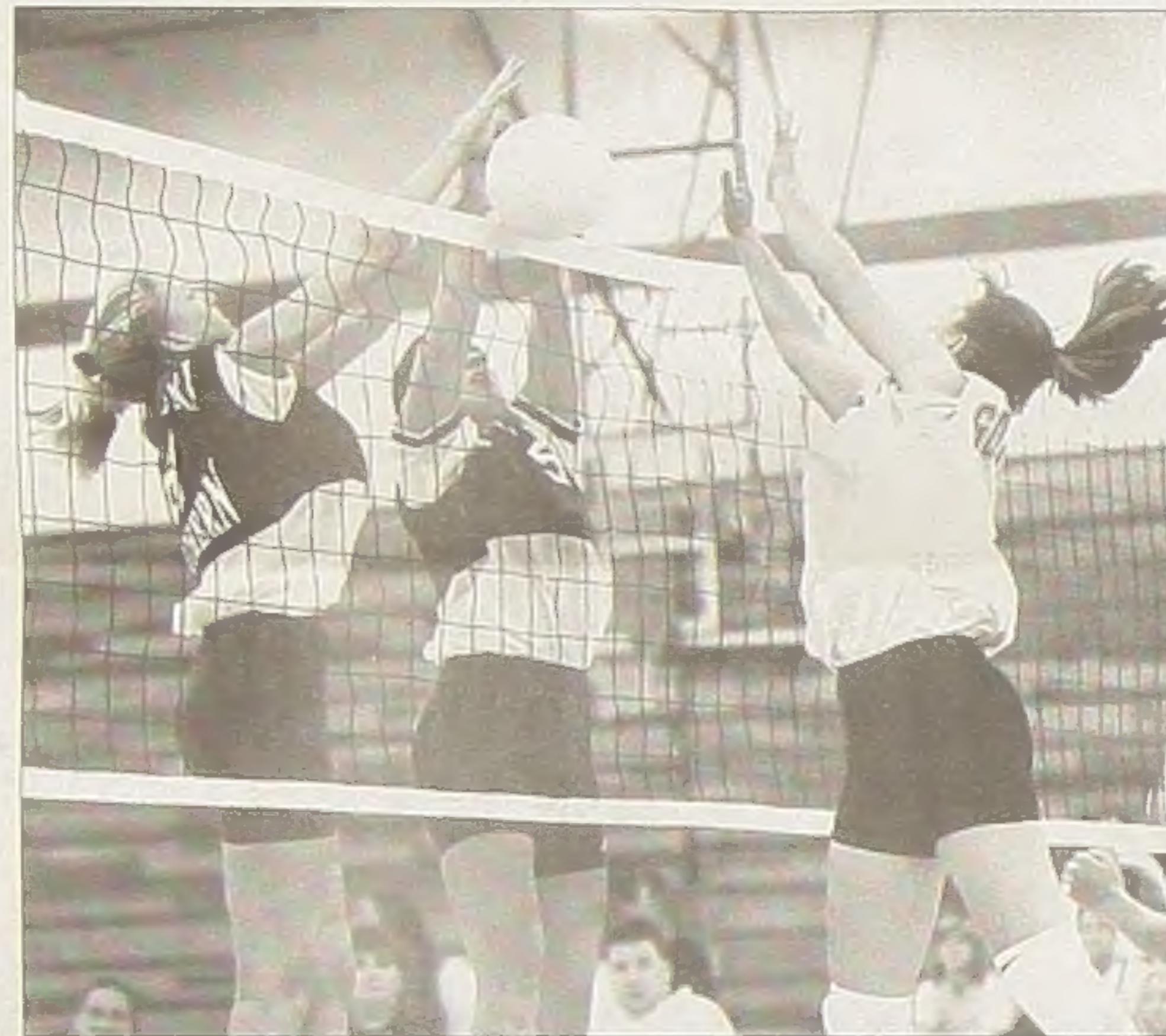
On the Road

Missouri Southern travels to Tahlequah, Okla., to take on Northeastern State



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VOLLEYBALL



Debbie Horenkamp (center) and Kristen Harris (left) team up for a block Wednesday night against Pitt State.

CROSS COUNTRY

Blacketer, Harrison lead Lady Lion charge

Rutledge pleased with freshmen, said veterans look solid

By JASON OWEN
SPORTS EDITOR

Cross country season opened this weekend with a good showing from both Missouri Southern teams.

"We really ran pretty well [at the Missouri Southern Invitational]," said Tom Rutledge, men's coach. "It is still early, but I really feel good about what I saw."

"It was a good warm-up race; it really helped us see where we are as a team. We know what we have to work on now, and so we can start working out the kinks."

Rutledge said he was really pleased with the freshmen runners.

"The freshmen really packed in well," he said. "All six of our freshmen were within one minute of each other."

"If they can stay together like that and improve together like that, then we will really be in good shape."

Rutledge also said he was pleased with his older runners.

"Josh Rogers is really running well," he said. "Jon Wilks ran a good race, but his legs hit together toward the second mile, and

that slowed him up a little. Jim Lowry had the flu last week and still came out and ran a good race, so I know I can depend on them to lead this team."

"If our older guys continue to run well and bring our younger guys along, then we should have a really good year."

The women also had a good day, finishing first and second in their race.

"Sonia Blacketer finished first and Amanda Harrison finished second," said Patty Vavra, women's head coach.

"They both ran extremely well, especially this early in the season."

"They train well together, really pushing each other, and it paid off."

Vavra said she was also pleased with the performance of junior Chris Heinecke.

"Chris' hard work this summer really showed out in this race," she said.

"She improved her time by over a minute from last year. I was really pleased."

"She's also doing really well as a team leader."

"I hoped she would go out and help the younger girls come through the mile in six minutes, and she did."

"It was a good meet."

Vavra said this race certainly makes the future look bright. □



JOHN SMITH/The Chan

Southern spans MIAA rival Gorillas

By P. NICHOLAS PARKER
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Despite a mental letdown midway through the match, Missouri Southern outlasted border rival Pittsburg State in volleyball action Wednesday night.

The Lady Lions opened with 15-2 and 15-6 wins before falling 15-12 in game three. Southern came back with a decisive 15-2 victory in the fourth game. Junior hitter Kristen Harris said she was pleased with her team's performance.

"We came into this game with three main goals: talking, serving, and passing," Harris said. "We met all of those goals, except during the third game."

Head coach Debbie Traywick said the keys for Southern's victory were passing and staying aggressive.

"When we were strong and aggressive at the net, we did well," she said. "When we stopped being aggressive, we lost."

At the net the Lady Lions were led defensively by Harris with six blocks. Offensively, senior hitter

Neely Burkhart led the team with 18 kills and a .545 hitting percentage. Burkhart also had 19 digs and two aces. Harris had nine kills.

Southern came into the match with a 2-2 record after last weekend's home tournament. The Lady Lions' two losses came against Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville and North Alabama University.

Traywick said Southern's play was better than the record indicated.

"When you say 2-2, it sounds disappointing," she said. "But if you look at the statistics, we stand better than any other team in the conference at the same time last year. We were at the top in both kill percentage and set assists percentage."

Harris said she would welcome a rematch with North Alabama.

"We're going to continue to get better as the season goes; they may stand still. I know we'll be ready the next time we see them again," she said.

The Lady Lions travel to Warrensburg this weekend to take on Henderson State Friday and West Texas A&M Saturday. □

SPORTS INFORMATION

Slusher rejoins Central

By JASON OWEN
SPORTS EDITOR

Dennis Slusher, Missouri Southern's sports information director, will leave his position Friday.

He has resigned to take a position at Central Missouri State University as an assistant sports information director and promotions director.

Slusher, who said he leaves with no hard feelings, cited personal reasons for the move.

"It is basically the same position," he said. "It is not really a move up, but Warrensburg is about 30 miles from where I grew up (Odessa), so I am kind of going home."

"My parents are both retired, and they still live there. I have been wanting to get closer to them for a while, so when the position opened it was just what I had been looking for."

Jim Frazier, Southern's men's athletic director, said he would be looking for a replacement for Slusher soon.

"With Dennis leaving on Friday," he said, "we hope to be able to get the job specifications ready so we can start advertising for the position at least by Monday."

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SOCCER

Senior Josh Rogers hopes to make the regional cross country meet held at Central Missouri.

JOHN SMITH/The Joplin

By JASON OWEN
SPORTS EDITOR

The pinnacle of any athlete's career is to be picked as a team leader by the coach. For Josh Rogers, senior cross country runner, that day has come.

"I was very honored that coach Rutledge picked me as a leader this year," Rogers said. "It really shows me that he believes in me, and that gives me a lot of confidence."

And Rutledge does believe in him.

"Josh is a good kid, who will lead," he said. "He is a fighter. He's running well, and should have a very good season."

Rogers, too, hopes to have a good season.

"I am running pretty good right now," he said, "but I could be running better."

"I would like to place at conference, but I would really like our team to place. If we can do that then I will really be happy."

"Regionals are at Central Missouri this year, so I obviously would like to make it there. To do that, though, we have to place at conference, so that's my main goal right now."

Rogers, who has exercise induced asthma, knows he will have to contend with that to make it where he wants to go. He also knows that he can do it.

"I really try to down play the fact that I have asthma," he said, "but I know it's there. It's just something I have to deal with. So I do."

"I can't say it will be a non factor

this season, but we have done all we can for it, so I just try to forget about it and go on."

Down playing Roger's asthma is just what Rutledge plans to do.

"Josh knows he has it," he said, "and so do I. There's no need to dwell on it."

"I really like Josh. Like I said he's a fighter, he'll get past this."

Rogers said Rutledge was a major factor in his decision to come to Missouri Southern.

"I came to Southern for several reasons," he said.

"They have a great school of business, and the school aspect of it was very important to me. The price was right, which was also very important."

"Coach Rutledge showed a lot of interest in me from the beginning. I knew I was wanted here, and

that made the decision much easier for me."

Rogers is excited about this season, but hopes to live up to all that is expected of him.

"I really appreciate that coach would recognize me in this way," he said, "and I hope I can do all he wants me to. I am just going to go out and do the best I can."

Rogers said that while he is excited, he isn't nervous.

"This is really no added pressure on me. I know what I have to do, and I'm going to do it."

"Leading this team isn't really going to be all that hard, because we have such a great group."

"We are all pretty tight, and it's not like Josh the leader. The freshman that have come in are really doing well, and it's going to be a good year."

Running to DAYLIGHT

Coach targets senior runner as 'fighter'

"There is really no added pressure on me."

Southern splits opening match-ups, heads to Graceland at .500

By DAN WISZKON
STAFF WRITER

Low-scoring games have been the norm so far in the Lions' soccer season. Missouri Southern finds itself at 1-1 after splitting the first two games

of the young season.

The Lions blanked the University of Central Arkansas 1-0 Saturday in the season opener. Junior goalie Chris Lewis and freshman Ben Butler each made one save in combining for the shutout.

Junior forward Justin Buergel

scored for Southern in the 36th minute of play.

The Northeastern State University Redmen defeated Southern 2-0 Tuesday in Tahlequah, Okla. The Redmen fired 17 shots on goal compared to the Lions' six (three per half).

Providing the offense for NSU was Bobby Hooper and Xander Scheffel, who both scored late in the first half within a 2:30 span.

NSU outnumbered Southern in corner kicks, 11-2.

The game was full of penalties and physical contact, with both

teams chalking up 17 fouls. NSU players Dennis Ceelen and Eric Marshall were warned by officials with yellow cards while teammate Shane Chambers was kicked out of the contest with a red card. Chambers' absence gave the Lions a one-man advantage the last five

minutes of the game, but Southern failed to capitalize.

Southern's first home game will be against Dallas Baptist University at 5 p.m. Friday.

The Lions take to the road to play Graceland College in Lamoni, Iowa, Saturday.

Southern Scoreboard

FOOTBALL

MIAA Standings as of Sept. 7

Overall	Conf.
W-L	W-L
1. Central Missouri 1-0	0-0
2. Missouri-Rolla 1-0	0-0
3. Missouri Western 1-0	0-0
4. Northwest Missouri 1-0	0-0
5. Missouri Southern 0-0	0-0
6. Southwest Baptist 0-0	0-0
7. Washburn 0-0	0-0
8. Pittsburg State 0-1	0-0
9. Truman State 0-1	0-0

MIAA Schedule

THURSDAY'S SCHEDULE
Southwestern (Kan.) @ Central Missouri

Saturday's Schedule
Missouri Southern @ Northeastern (Okla.) State
Mankato (Minn.) State @ Northwestern Missouri
Missouri Valley @ Missouri-Rolla
Quincy (Ill.) @ Missouri Western

Southwest Baptist @ Olivetia Baptist (Ark.)

Truman State @ Southeast Missouri State

Washburn @ Fort Hays (Kan.) State

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Wage increase takes effect Oct. 1

STATE LEGISLATURE

If Prop A passes

Missouri will vote Nov. 8 whether to raise minimum wage earnings above the federal level, which goes into effect Oct. 1.



RYAN BRONSON/The Chart

Voters left to decide on minimum wage

By J.L. GRIFFIN
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

Enough though the federal government has decided to increase the minimum wage to \$4.75 starting Oct. 1, that hasn't stopped an effort in Missouri to raise it more.

The effort, called the Campaign to Reward Work, has asked Missouri voters to consider the issue on the Nov. 8 ballot.

The plan calls for Missouri's minimum wage to increase to \$6.25 by Jan. 1. The increase would give Missouri the highest minimum wage in the country. The issue also mandates the minimum wage increases 25 cents every year from until 2000, when it becomes a 15-cent increase every year thereafter. A similar proposal was made by state Sen. Bill Clay Jr. (D-St. Louis) last session. But Clay's bill didn't make it out of committee.

"The legislators haven't addressed it," said Jerry Huskin, legislative and political action coordinator for Teamster's joint council No. 13. "They haven't put forth the proper effort."

However, the plan is being opposed as equally as it is supported. Small business lobbyists oppose this plan as much as they opposed Clay's bill.

"That bill by 1998 would have cost the state \$28 million," said Brad Jones, an official at the National Federation of Independent Business.

The issue, called Proposition A, was announced to be on the ballot at a Monday news conference in Jefferson City.

JOPLIN BUSINESSES



JOHN SMITH/The Chart
Hardee's employee Kim Farmer keeps an eye on the fries, but may soon need to keep an eye on finding a future career.

FINANCIAL AID

66 Student workers are vital to the operation of this campus. 99

College to cut student help hours

Campus employment availability could drop

By MICHELLE CONTY
STAFF WRITER

As of Oct. 1, both the federal and state minimum wage will be increasing to \$4.75 an hour.

Some concerns have been voiced about whether this will affect the budget for student employees and work study participants at Missouri Southern.

"Student workers are vital to the operation of the campus," said Dr. Terri Agee, director of human resources, adding that there will be much discussion over the matter.

According to Linda Sadler, student employment coordinator, the students are not as concerned as the department heads. The students will receive a cut in total hours, but they will be taking home just as much if not a small sum more. It is the departments where the students work that will be balancing fewer hours worked with a budget that will not yet meet the increase. The overall budget increase will need to be 6 percent in order to fully close the gap between the current wage and the new wage.

Dr. John Tiede, senior vice president, said "the worries should be minimal" since all student help budgets will be increased by 3 percent, leaving the individual departments to make up the remaining 3 percent.

Tiede said he thought the departments should be able to manage the hours, and if they cannot they will be able to make individual appeals.

The overall annual budget increase is estimated at \$32,000, according to Tiede.

Jeff Gibson, director of budgets and operations, said that if the institution cannot meet the total increase needed, the federal government may help. Gibson said the projected budget for student employment is \$357,000, not including the work study program.

"I hope the cutback in hours is not too much; money is short as it is," said Tara Dubray, sophomore undecided major. "I need the hours I get. Nobody's talking about the increase in wage and how the school is going to budget. I am looking forward to hearing something."

Not all of the College's student help is concerned, though.

Brandi Manning, senior English major, said how she hasn't thought much about the increase or the budget.

Some students are concerned about the availability of on-campus jobs when the wage increase goes into effect.

Tracey Witherspoon, freshman undecided major, said she knew there were few work study openings and wondered if those positions would be eliminated when the wage increased.

Sadler said the same number of students would be hired for student help. She did say, however, that some adjustments would have to be made, such as referring some undergraduates to off-campus jobs.

"Personally, I'm not too worried; I have faith in our administration," said Mike Reynolds, senior Spanish education major. "I'm sure they will balance the budget in the best interest of all of us." □

Brandi Manning, senior English major, said she hasn't given much thought to the increase.



MICHELLE CONTY/The Chart

Chamber takes negative stance on Proposition A

By RICK ROGERS
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

With 19 days left until the new increase in the national minimum wage takes hold, local business are searching for ways to compensate for the 50-cent jolt about to strike their purses.

The national minimum wage will climb from \$4.25 to \$4.75 an hour Oct. 1. But in Missouri, Proposition A, which will be placed on the ballot in November, could raise the state's minimum wage to \$6.25 by Jan. 1, 1997.

Cameron Miller, district manager of Hardee's three franchise restaurants in Joplin, said his restaurants will attempt to deal with the new wage hike in a manner which will not hurt the pocketbooks of customers to a large extent.

Miller said the corporate restaurants and franchises, which have the authority to make their own decisions concerning store operations, will meet the new requirement of the new minimum wage law.

Miller also said Hardee's corporate office is planning a price increase of 2 to 5 percent by Oct. 1 to compensate for the higher labor costs.

But Miller said his restaurants in Joplin, which have not raised prices in nearly three years, have not yet determined whether they will increase prices. Miller also said because the increase will be quite minimal, the public will, in most cases, not be aware of the price increase, if implemented.

"For the most part, most of the restaurants will not be affected, because most of their employees already make over the new increase in minimum wage," he said. "It will not effect them at all, and they are not going to give people 50-cent raises because the minimum wage has increased."

Tracey Osborne, general manager of the Joplin Area Chamber of Commerce, said the chamber is "very concerned" about the consequences the new law will have on local businesses and the effect Proposition A, if passed, could have as well.

"We talked to a number of businesses, both large and small, and they have mostly all said that it is going to dramatically increase their operating costs."

Miller said he could not see how the increase could benefit any of the local, small businesses in the region, or the nation.

"I don't think the rise in the wage helps anybody," he said.

"The costs will trickle down to everyone. People will be paying more at the gas pump, people will be paying more for milk, and people will be paying more to eat out."

"I have spoken to many other managers in different restaurants around the area, and everyone I have talked to plans to do some kind of price increase."

"But one action Miller's Hardee's restaurants will not take is cutting the number of employees working in its three locations."

"Cutting labor is ludicrous," he said. "How can you cut labor back? We do not plan to cut hours, because if you do that then you are hurting your customers."

"If you do not have enough customers to staff your restaurant and people come in to be waited on, then they don't come back."

According to Osborne, if Proposition A passes, these scenarios could materialize if large and small local businesses will be forced to increase operating costs.

■ Businesses will be forced to increase their price of doing business.

■ Businesses will not be able to employ as many people.

■ Fewer lower-income jobs will be available to the public.

■ Higher unemployment rates for the state of Missouri. □

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